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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
		:	Examiner: NYA
HARUO SHIMIZI)	
		:	Group Art Unit: NYA
Application No.: 09/842,809)	_
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Filed:	April 27, 2001)	
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For:	IMAGE PROCESSING)	
	APPARATUS, IMAGE	:	
	PROCESSING METHOD, AND)	
	STORAGE MEDIUM	:	June 26, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under the International Convention and all rights to which he is entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following Japanese Priority Application:

2000-128539 filed April 27, 2000

A certified copy of the priority document is enclosed.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by

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Respectfully submitted,

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